Update Troopers Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Crash- Lewes

Lewes- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash involving a pedestrian that occurred earlier this evening.

The incident occurred on February 20, 2020 at approximately 6:14 p.m., when a 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe was traveling northbound on Coastal Highway (SR 1) in the left lane just south of Lewes-Georgetown Highway (US 9). A pedestrian was crossing the highway in an easterly direction and stepped from the median into the path of the Tahoe. The operator of the Tahoe was unable to perceive the pedestrian, who was wearing dark clothing and not using a light. As a result, the front of the Tahoe struck the pedestrian in the left travel lane. The operator of the Tahoe remained at the scene.

The pedestrian, an adult male was pronounced deceased at the scene. His name is being withheld at this time pending the notification of next of kin.

The operator of the Tahoe, a 50-year-old male from Camden, DE was properly restrained and did not sustain injury.

The crash continues to remain under investigation by the Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit.

Coastal Highway northbound in the area of Lewes-Georgetown Highway was closed for approximately 3 hours while the crash was investigated and cleared.

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If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or

have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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